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Steamer Spray, 6000 haddock, 4000 cod.
Sch. Rebecca, 2000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Anzie B. Watson, 6000 haddock, 2000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Freedom, 3500 cod.
Sch. Cherokee, 4000 cod.
Sch. Geraldine, 2000 cod.
Sch. Hobo, 2000 cod.
Sch. Appomattox, 18,000 pollock.
Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 4000 haddock, 4000 cod, 2000 hake.
Sch. Valentinna.
Sch. Gladys and Sabra, 8000 pollock.
Sch. Ralph Russell, 5000 pollock.
Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 7000 haddock, 2000 cod, 6000 hake.
Sch. Julietta, 1000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1500 hake.
Sch. Mattie Brundage, 4000 pollock.
Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, 10,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 20,000 hake, 5000 cusk.
Sch. Matinana, 5000 haddock, 1500 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan 2000 haddock, 1500 cod, 1000 hake, 10,000 cusk.
Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 3000 haddock, 5000 cod, 10,000 hake.
Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 15,000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. George E. Lane, Jr., 2000 haddock, 2500 cod, 8000 hake, 7000 cusk.
Sch. N. A. Rowe, 8000 cod.
Sch. Ida M. Silva, 1500 haddock, 400 cod, 1000 hake. Sch. Volant, 10,000 pollock.
Haddock, \$5 per cwt.; large cod, \$5; market cod, \$3; hake, \$3 to \$4; pollock, \$1.75; cusk, \$2.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Veda M. McKown was at Liverpool, N.S., on Friday and cleared.
Sch. Arkona was at Liverpool one day last week and cleared.

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SPRAY'S HARD TRIP.

Found Bad Weather and Fish Scarce on Brown's Bank.

Among the vessels which arrived at Boston yesterday was the steam trawler Spray, which had got back from a long trip on which she had poor success. Capt. Green went to Western bank, where he had hoped to make record trip. He left Boston two weeks ago today, and on the way down to the banks had fine weather. No sooner had he arrived on the bank, however, than the weather changed, and the sky became overcast, and strong winds blew the water into tremendous waves. Only on one day did he see the sun, and on that day put out his trawl, and got some 10,000 pounds of haddock and cod.

Last Thursday a fearful northwester sprung up, and snow began to fall, and during the day the storm lasted, and the men could do nothing but keep a lookout for other vessels. On his arrival in Boston harbor during the night he was pushed hard by the southeast wind, but ran up to the wharf, and in trying to avoid hitting one of the sailing vessels there struck the caplog of the wharf, breaking the heavy timber, but doing no damage to his steamer.

Another Freak Fish.

Another freak fish was landed at T wharf, Boston, yesterday, sch. Nokomis bringing in a large cod with two under jaws with sets of teeth. The fish was caught on a trawl 25 miles off Plymouth by Andrew Iverson and was bought for exhibition and carted away at once.

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FINE STOCK.

Sch. Athlete Got Over \$10,000 on Dory Handline Trip.

Sch. Athlete, Capt. Leroy Spiney, weighed off 289,000 pounds of salt cod as the result of her recent dory handline trip, making the fine stock of \$10,101.01. The averages share of the crew was \$200, while the highline man was Ernest Goodick with a share of \$332.50, one of the best individual shares of the year on a single trip in the bank codfishery.

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Fine Trip.

Sch. Teazar, Capt. Peter Dunskey, arrived today from the Cape Shore with a fine fare of 30,000 pounds of salt cod, 35,000 pounds of fresh fish and 4000 pounds of halibut. The craft struck in at a good time, as fresh fish are in demand and quite high, and she is taking out her fresh ones at the Gloucester Fresh Fish Co.

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**NO LIVES LOST,
NO BAD WRECKS**

**But Yesterday's Gale Was
Exceptionally Severe.**

LARGE FLEET SAFE IN PORT.

**Incoming Fishing Vessels Report Hard
Time Off Shore.**

The gale of yesterday was by far the heaviest of the season in this vicinity, the wind at many points on the New England coast attaining a velocity of 64 miles an hour. The southeast blow was hard, but incoming vessels from off shore report that it blew even harder when it hauled to south and southwest.

Thus far no wrecks or loss of life has been reported as most of the coastwise fleet were in port, having had good warning of the storm which enabled them to seek shelter.

Capt. Robert B. Porper of sch. Cavalier, which arrived here this morning from a St. Peters bank halibuting trip, reports heavy weather about all the trip and little chance to fish, but the gale of Sunday and Monday was the worst of all. It was so bad that the staunch Cavalier was hove to for a number of hours, and when Capt. Porper does this on a homeward passage to market, it is certainly blowing great guns.

With two men lashed to the wheel, the Cavalier was run through about all the southeast, but when it hauled to the south and southwest, it was a case of look out for the sails, and then the vessel was hove to for a while. Capt. Porper says the gale was accompanied by a very wicked sea.

Capt. Nickerson and Goodwin of schs. Pontiac and Mystery, which are reported at Boston this morning, report a very dirty time coming across the Bay of Fundy the wind at times blowing with hurricane violence.

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FROZEN HERRING COMING.

**Sch. Clintonia Loaded and First on
the Way Home.**

**Herring Outlook Now Reported Fair
in Middle Arm.**

Sch. Clintonia of Orlando Merchant's first sailed for home yesterday with a cargo of pan frozen herring, being the first of the fleet to load with frozen goods and get away for home this season. Sch. Henry M. Stanley has completed loading with salt herring and also sailed for home yesterday. News of the sailing of other salt herring cargoes is expected daily.

Advices from Bay of Islands, N. F., today by the various firms, from their skippers, indicate that there has been a change for the better in the herring situation, and that the outlook is now fair in the Middle Arm, where most of the American herring fleet are, and where the herring struck in Friday night. Should the situation continue as at present, several of the salt herring fleet will sail for home this week. There has been no frost as yet, but the "pan" vessels, equipped for artificial freezing, are doing all they can toward getting loads and thus get home well ahead of the regular frozen craft.

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Steamer Spray To Be Inspected.

After taking out her small fare of fish at T wharf Boston, yesterday, the beam trawler Spray steamed over to the yard of Bertelsen & Petersen at East Boston, where she will be put through the annual government inspection of engines, boilers, etc. It will probably be the last of the week before she resumes fishing.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Cavalier, St. Peters Bank, 20,000 lbs. halibut, 12,000 lbs. salt cod.

Today's Fish Market.

Round pollock, 65 cts. per cwt.; gutted 70 cents.
Salt Georges cod, large \$4.00, mediums, \$3.25.

Salt bank dory handline cod, \$3.62 1-2 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for mediums.

Salt trawl bank cod, large, \$3.37 1-2; mediums, \$3; snappers, \$2.

Bank halibut 11 cts. per lb. for white and 8 cts. for gray.

Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock, \$1.50. Eastern salt shack trip cod, \$3.25 per cwt. for large and \$3 for markets.

Splitting prices for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$2.00; mediums, \$1.60; Eastern cod, large, \$1.90; medium, \$1.50; cusk, \$1.60 to \$1.65; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 75 cts.; pollock, 70 cts.

Eastern deck handline cod, \$4.00 for large and \$3.25 for mediums.

Boston.

Sch. Jessie Costa, 3000 haddock, 4000 cod, 4000 hake, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Almeida, 4000 pollock.

Sch. Little Fannie, 10,000 pollock.

Sch. Good Luck, 10,000 pollock.

Sch. Mystery, 25,000 haddock, 40,000 cod.

Sch. Pontiac, 18,000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 2000 cusk.

Steamer Pet, 40 bbls. fresh herring.

Haddock, \$3.50 to \$6 per cwt.; large cod, \$6; market cod, \$2.50; pollock, \$2.75.

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**VESSEL LOST,
CREW SAVED.**

**Sch. M. B. Stetson Wrecked
Near Bonne Bay, N. F.**

FULL PARTICULARS ARE LACKING

**Was on Herring Trip and Encoun-
tered Heavy Gale.**

Advices received here this morning are to the effect that sch. M. B. Stetson of Bucksport, Me., is a total loss in the gulf of St. Lawrence, and that the entire crew are saved.

The Stetson is one of the fleet of Capt. T. M. Nicholson and was in command of Capt. McIsaac. She was bound on a herring trip to Bay of Islands, and was lost in the vicinity of that bay. Details are lacking, but it is supposed that she must have been driven ashore in a heavy gale.

The information regarding the loss of the craft was received by Capt. Jerome McDonald in a telephone message from Capt. Nicholson, at Bucksport, the latter stating that the Stetson was lost near Bonne Bay and that the crew were taken off and carried to Bay of Islands. He had no details of the disaster.

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Herring Notes.

The following notes of the herring fishery are from the Bay of Islands, N. F., Western Star:

"There is quite a quantity of small herring around Woods Island and in the Arms inshore.

"Saturday's herring reports were very encouraging the boats making good hauls, mostly in deep water.

The Robin Hood has a full load of cod and herring.

"Inspector O'Reilly, now in the cutter Fiona, is the original of one of James B. Connolly's characters in one of the most popular of his sea stories. Magistrate March also figures in another widely read tale."

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FROST STRIKES IN.

Good Sharp Nip Reported at Bay of Islands, N. F.

Light Snap About the Same Time Last Season.

Frost has struck at Bay of Islands, N. F., and some of the herring fleet there have begun to load frozen cargoes.

This good news was contained in a despatch to the Boston Fish Bureau yesterday afternoon. The despatch "said that the frost was a good one and that five vessels had left for home on Sunday, schs. Indiana, Claudia, Henry M. Stanley and T. M. Nicholson with cargoes of salt herring and sch. Clintonia with frozen herring.

Last season the first frost came to Bay of Islands on December 7, just a day later than it struck in this year. Last season, however, the frost was a very light one and practically no herring of consequence were frozen on it, for next day it came in mild again and continued so, until another frost spurt put in appearance on December 16 and 17. Some herring was put down on this nip, but again it came in mild and stayed that way until December 21 and 22. On these dates there was good frost and some of the vessels profited thereby. From then on almost up to New Years it alternated, day and day, first mild and frost. Later there came several frosty days, but the season as a whole was a poor one for securing quick bang-up cargoes of frozen goods.

According to the Fish Bureau despatch, this frost this season was a good one; if so, it has come early, as it is not generally looked for much before Christmas week. Its arrival may interfere with the loading of salt herring, but one who goes to or sends vessels to Bay of Islands, must be prepared to put up with whatever comes whenever it comes.

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Halibut Sale.

The fresh halibut fare of sch. Cavalier sold to the American Halibut Co. at 11 cents per pound for white and 8 cents per pound for gray.

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Gresham Here.

The revenue cutter Gresham, which was recently at Bay of Islands, N. F., and came home about three weeks ago, is in port.

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Sch. Helen G. Wells, shore.

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Boston.

Sch. Vesta, 3000 cod.
Sch. Rita A. Viator, 6500 pollock.
Sch. Rose Standish, 5000 pollock.
Sch. Catherine D. Egos, 500 haddock, 4500 cod, 5000 hake.
Sch. Athena, 2000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Teresa and Alice, 1000 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake, 500 pollock.
Sch. Mina Swim, 1500 haddock, 800 cod, 6000 hake.
Sch. Manhasset, 11,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 16,000 hake.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, 2500 pollock.
Sch. Mary Emerson, 5000 cod.

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Sch. Nettie, 200 haddock, 200 cod, 1000 hake.
Sch. Nautilus, 1500 cod.
Sch. Washakie, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 5000 hake, 9000 pollock.
Sch. Gracie, 2500 cod.
Str. Quartette, 50 bbls. fresh herring.
Sch. Motor, 400 haddock, 800 cod, 300 hake.
Haddock, \$5.75 to \$6; per cwt.; large cod, \$5.75 to \$6.75; market cod, \$3.50 to \$6.75; hake, \$3 to \$5; pollock, \$2.50.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Ralph K. Grant, with cured fish for the port, was at Boothbay Harbor yesterday.

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HAD A FINE RUN.

Sch. Essex Little Over Four Days to Bay of Islands.

Sch. Essex, Capt. Hackett, is not considered one of the flyers of the fishing fleet, as she was built away back in 1889. She is rather "full in the face" and her stern and midship section are of generous dimensions, in fact she was not built for a flyer, but she can certainly sail in good shape as her latest achievement shows.

She left here late last Thursday afternoon for Newfoundland and had a good chance along, just clearing the gale of that day on the Cape Shore, and reaching Woods Island very early Tuesday morning, just getting in clear of the bad gale which raged down that way on Tuesday.

Somehow or other it is the old class vessels generally that make fine passages down to Bay of Islands, but it takes the "tooth picks" to grind off the quick passages to the westward.

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Green Smelt About Over.

A letter received at T wharf, Boston, yesterday, from Prince Edward Island told of a small consignment of green smelts sent and at the same time notified the dealer that it was probably the last shipment of green smelts from there for this year. There will be plenty of frozen smelts, however, and as the weather is growing colder there they will be frozen on the ice as soon as caught. A car of frozen smelts was received yesterday morning from St. John, N. B., and a small quantity of barrel smelt and some green smelts in boxes arrived.

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WITH SINGLE DORIES.

Sch. Pontiac Caught Fresh Fish Fare on Cape Shore.

Sch. Pontiac, Capt. Enos Nickerson, which arrived at Boston on Tuesday, returned from her first trip to the Cape Shore, and Capt. Nickerson had the distinction of taking the first single dory fisherman there, and also of being the first of the regular shore fishing vessels to go down that far for fish.

Capt. Nickerson had been absent two weeks on the trip, and during that time he and his men had a hard time. While the people ashore were enjoying days of almost exceptional fine weather, they were having a hard time with storms and gales. For days they could not get out in the dories to set their trawls, on account of bad weather. In the few sets of the trawls they made they had good luck.

The Pontiac was out in the southeast storm of Monday and Capt. Nickerson describes it as something fearful. Fortunately he had the wind astern and his knockabout fairly flew through the water, while immense waves followed and threatened to wash everything from the deck.

At noon he was off Thatcher's island, and as he did not dare to head across the bay for Boston, he came to anchor and lay there for several hours until the wind had changed. Capt. Nickerson had the good luck to meet with good prices, and will stock about \$1800, which will give each of his men in the neighborhood of \$45 for a share.

Sch. Mystery had been further than sch. Pontiac, and Capt. William H. Goodwin reported fishing on Western Banks. He also had met with bad weather, and was able to make only three sets of the trawls, and took about 65,000 pounds of fish, mostly haddock and cod.

He has a larger crew than sch. Pontiac, and although he will stock about \$2000, his men will get about the same as those on sch. Pontiac as shares.

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DEEP SEA DIVING.

A Descent of Thirty Fathoms Marks the Limit of Safety.

The depth to which a diver can descend is limited by his power for withstanding the pressure of the water. Apparently a descent of thirty fathoms (180 feet) of water marks the limit of safety for even a few divers who possess the necessary physical fitness in combination with a disregard for danger beyond the average.

Records in deep sea diving have to be accepted with the proverbial grain of salt. It has been claimed that a diver reached thirty-three fathoms and a half while engaged in salvage operations recently on the west coast of South America; and yet again another diver working on the same wreck is reported to have brought up three bars of copper from a depth of forty fathoms at the expense of his life.

An expert who has superintended a large number of diving operations has found that very few men, whatever their build, are capable of combating the severe strain which is brought to bear upon their physical energies for a few minutes at a depth of twenty or thirty fathoms. Many of his divers dared not venture below ten fathoms. Of 352 divers employed at greater depths thirty were seriously injured, and the result was fatal in ten instances.—Harper's.

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FISH AND GAME LAWS.

Uniform Regulations Recommended by New England Commissioners.

The fish and game commissioners of the several New England states were in conference Tuesday forenoon at the state house and discussed various suggestions of legislation to be recommended to their respective legislatures in order to make the laws relative to fisheries and game more uniform, as outlined by the recent congress of governors. Chairman Field of the Massachusetts fish and game commission presided and each state in New England was represented at the conference. No formal action was taken but it is expected that before the conference adjourns, resolutions will be adopted setting forth what legislation in the opinion of the commissioners ought to be adopted.

MONEY IN POLLOCK.

Crew of Sch. Annie and Jennie Shared \$43 Each.

With all kinds of shore fish scarce, there is big money in pollock, as the price has been good all the week. The little sch. Annie and Jennie, Capt. Joseph Cooney, had 22,000 pounds at T wharf, Boston, yesterday, and her crew profited for their two days work to the extent of \$43 to a man, one of the best pollock shares of the winter.

Provincial Lobsters Coming.

The season for importing lobsters from the Provinces will begin December 15, and the dealers are looking forward to that time for a big consignment of lobsters. The native lobsters have been fairly plenty this year, and the price has been kept down, but with the arrival of the lobsters from the provinces it will go lower.

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FOR QUICK REPAIRS.

Sch. Saladin Made Halifax After Recent Heavy Gale.

Engine Disabled, Jumbo Gone and Fore Gaff Broken.

The gasoline auxiliary sch. Saladin, Capt. Wallace Parsons, which left here Saturday afternoon on a frozen herring voyage to Newfoundland, put in at Halifax on Tuesday with her engine disabled, her foregaff broken and jumbo blown away.

The vessel must have encountered the recent heavy gale in the Cape Shore and had it very severe.

Capt. Parsons lost no time after striking port getting the repair work under way and expected to be all ready to put to sea last night.